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Mr William Stokes, D.V.M. Director, NICEATM NIEHS P.O. Box 12233 EC-17 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

Dear Dr Stokes,

I am writing in regards to phasing out the horrible Draize test. I am urging you to recommend that federal agencies immediately begin accepting the alternative methods found to be useful, that you move forward with recommending improvements in the alternatives with out delaying the acceptance of the tests current forms, and, go beyond the current efforts by developing and validating nonanimal methods to completely replace the use of the Draize test. Please give this matter your full and thoughtful consideration.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

/s/

Bethann Giannosa